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Cal Poly to Host Dec. 2 Open Forum on New Housing Project

SAN LUIS OBISPO — A Dec. 2 open forum on campus at Cal Poly will offer additional information on the university's proposed First Year Student Housing South Project.

The session follows a Nov. 6 community meeting on plans to build a 1,400-bed student housing project at the university's Grand Avenue entrance. Cal Poly officials decided to host a second meeting to provide in-depth answers to many of the questions that arose at the first community meeting.

Monday's meeting, which is open to the public, will be held 6 to 7:30 p.m. in Room 220 of the University Union (Building 65) ([campus map](#)). The university will provide complimentary parking on the top level of the parking structure next to the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center.

"We've scheduled this open forum so that we can address site selection, parking offsets and other items related to the housing project," said Keith Humphrey, Cal Poly's vice president of student affairs. "Our goal is to make sure there is plenty of opportunity for the community to ask questions and provide input. We also will provide a more in-depth briefing on the project. We see it as a plus for the community as well as for our students to provide substantially more on-campus housing, and we want to be sure we answer everyone's questions and hear everyone's concerns as fully as possible."

The new residence hall, planned on what is now a large surface parking lot across Grand Avenue from existing student housing, will help the university realize its goal of increasing the percentage of students housed on campus.

A full draft environmental impact report (EIR) on the project was released earlier this week. The comment period for the EIR closes Jan 9, 2014. The draft EIR is available online at http://afd.calpoly.edu/facilities/facp_index.asp.

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